

Kansas SIEC  
Regular Meeting  
October 12, 2015

Minutes

The Kansas Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee met in regular session at the United Wireless Arena in Dodge City, Kansas. This meeting held in conjunction with the Kansas APCO fall conference.

**Members present.** Dick Heitschmidt, Bob McLemore, Jay Coverdale, Edwin Geer, Col. Chris Stratmann, Harry Smith, Ellen Wernicke, Michelle Abbott. Members John Stradal and Justin Bramlett joined by conference call.

**Others present.** Jason Bryant, Stacie Hajney, JL Ellis, (KOEK), Scott Ekberg (911 Coord Council), Jim Lundsted (DHS/OEK), Heather Kinsler (Kingman County) and Linda Smith (Ford County).

**Call to order.** The meeting was called to order by Dick Heitschmidt, Chairperson, at 13:05.

**Minutes.** The minutes of the August 13, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. Motion by Bob McLemore to accept as printed, second by Harry Smith, no further discussion, all in favor, none opposed. Chairperson Dick Heitschmidt declared motion passed, minutes accepted as printed.  
**(Action #15-09)**

**Discussion/Action Items.**

**Broadband Update**

Jason Bryant provided information for the members on the data collection and objectives. A hand out was given and is included with these minutes. Jason reported over 1500 responses from three separate surveys had been received. 520 agencies had completed all three surveys. Jason detailed the coverage objectives reflected in the survey information and a mapping tool was displayed to show the overall coverage objectives for Kansas. Jason also detailed the coverage objective phases with a deadline of December 31, 2015 for final data collection.

Jason did inform the SIEC that Phil Wittmer is the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for Kansas to Firstnet. Mr. Wittmer is the Kansas Executive Branch CITO.

Jason also gave an update on a recent meeting he attended in Denver and had an approved Firstnet device to display. He mentioned that Firstnet is encouraging contact with vendors to build relationships and that they are leaning toward a single source model for the network.

### Other Business

Dick Heitschmidt and Col. Stratmann discussed a recent meeting with the Lt. Governor's office with cabinet level SIEC members attending. Technical solutions and possible advantages for the State were topics of discussion.

Dick Heitschmidt started a discussion on KOEC training, specifically the purpose and mission. Jason Bryant and JL Ellis were asked to step out of the room for the discussion.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be at the call of the chair.

**Adjourn.** With no further business before the committee, Chairperson Dick Heitschmidt moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 15:15.

**(Action #15-10)**

Respectfully submitted,




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APPROVED:



Dick Heitschmidt, Chairperson



Bob McLemore, Vice Chairperson